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Agencies Facing Cuts in 2006 Compared with the President's 2005 Budget

The Office of Management and Budget memorandum cited in the May 27 *Washington Post* article directs each agency to abide by its 2006 total contained in the President's 2005 budget. An agency can increase individual accounts or programs above their specific 2006 levels, but then has to offset those increases by equal cuts in other programs within the agency.

The President's 2005 budget included discretionary cuts in 2006 for the following agencies (and most of these agencies do not see their funding return to 2004 levels within the five-year window of the President's budget):

Agencies Cut in 2006, According to President's 2005 Budget

(discretionary funding in billions of dollars)

	2005	2006	\$ cut	% cut
Education	57.339	55.864	1.475	2.6%
Veterans Affairs	29.654	28.744	0.910	3.1%
EPA	7.777	7.616	0.161	2.1%
State	10.259	10.003	0.256	2.5%
Interior	10.835	10.605	0.230	2.1%
Social Security Administration	7.562	7.358	0.204	2.7%
National Science Foundation	5.745	5.628	0.117	2.0%
Commerce	5.697	5.643	0.054	0.9%
Small Business Administration	0.678	0.662	0.016	2.4%
Health and Human Services	68.229	68.048	0.181	0.3%
Labor	11.88	11.676	0.204	1.7%